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| Invention: OPTICAL DEVICE, METHOD FOR PRODUCING THE SAME AND RECORDING AND/OR REPRODUCING APPARATUS EMPLOYING THE SAME | | | | | |
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In full and timely response to the Office Action mailed on September 23, 2004,
requiring an election of invention, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on
page 5 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 12 of this paper.